

Homecoming Sunday

Sunday, September 9th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie; our Music Director, Mark David Buckles; the choir; our Religious Educator, Laura Evonne Steinman; and our Intern Minister, Catie Scudera are all on summer break and will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 9th. Please bring a little water from your summer travels for our water communion celebration!

Welcome!

Whether a long-time member, a regular worshipper, or a first-time visitor, we welcome you to this morning's service.

The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys. Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth.

Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our joys and concerns, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts. Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience together here is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE MEMBERS ARE:

Art Nava (chair) / Shane McBride (vice-chair)
Christine Curtiss / Greg Haig / Richard Marshall
Dan Moon / Deb Pontes / Ellen Payzant
Harlow Robinson

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Samuel Gloyd & Karl Paulnack (co-moderators)
David McClain (clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Children's Religious Education Program is on hiatus and will resume in September.

Taan Shapiro will be providing childcare this summer during the service. Taan has a lot of experience working with kids of all ages and special needs. You can find Taan at the beginning of the service in the front of the Sanctuary by the red leather door (to the right of the pulpit).

Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table, and supplies are available, and the service is piped in.

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Discounted parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage. Coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Street parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19TH, 2012

Welcome to Summer Services

PRELUDE

II. In Slow Blues Tempo, *Excursions, Op 20*

Nick Place, piano

Samuel Barber (1910-1981)

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Hymn 357, Bright Morning Stars

CHALICE LIGHTING

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

*HYMN 131

Love Will Guide Us

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until the beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, by clicking on "Worship."

Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.

Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión.

Sopla al volar, sube en la mar;

Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida

Arráigame, libérame,

Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.

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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Latanya Sweeney
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AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit
of this congregation,
And service is our gift.
This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
To speak our truths in love,
And to help one another.

El amor es el espíritu
de nuestra congregación
Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
Convivir en paz,
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 129

Let Love Continue Long

SERMON

Relatives Latanya Sweeney

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today!

OFFERTORY

I. Allegretto, *Suite Op. 14* Béla Bartók (1881-1945)
Nick Place, piano

*HYMN 302

Children of the Human Race

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join us!)

When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good
music: Tom Witt, arr. Buckles

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, And with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Maple Leaf Rag Scott Joplin (1867-1917)
Nick Place, piano

**You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.*

INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19TH, 2012

All Are Welcome

**WE ARE GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US THIS MORNING FOR WORSHIP!
THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH
AFFIRMS THE INHERENT WORTH AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON.
WE CELEBRATE UNITY IN DIVERSITY.**

This morning, we invite you to:

- * Fill in the Welcome Card and place it in the collection plate;
- * Join us for coffee and a light lunch in the Parish Hall;
- * Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
- * Please come back again soon!

Today's Speaker

Latanya Sweeney is a professor at Harvard University, where she creates technology to improve society's understanding of social issues and possible remedies. Last spring she addressed the congregation at Arlington Street Church with some inspirational words, *I Give to Get*. A copy of this text and her other inspirational writings are available on-line at <http://latanyasweeney.org/essays>

Speaking on August 26th

From Many Sources Young Adult Group

Today's service is a presentation of the six religious sources of the Unitarian Universalist faith. It is a collaboration by members of the Young Adult Group, a gathering of Arlington Street churchgoers and their friends aged 18 to 35(ish.) The group's present members have been active since early 2011. They meet regularly for service projects, spiritual discussions and fun activities. Past examples include participating in the Charles River Cleanup, discussing the meaning of covenant in the context of Unitarian Universalism, spending the day on the Harbor Islands, and playing board games together once per month. To become a member or to learn more about the group, stop by the Young Adult Group table at coffee hour after the service, or search for Arlington Street Young Adult Group on Facebook.

Summer Worship Highlights

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, a light lunch, and community!

Arlington Street Church's Summer Calendar

During summer, life at Arlington Street Church slows down and *Inside Arlington Street Church* is published in this leaner format. Until Homecoming Sunday Service on September 9th, the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, www.ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar". Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, keeps it current.

Young Adult Group

Today ~ 12:45 PM, Stage Right Room

The Young Adult Group is having a planning meeting after service from 12:45 until 2:00 PM.

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, August 22nd ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Experience fun exercises and poses, breathing techniques, chanting, meditation, and deep relaxation in this unique class. Moving energy through your body brings positive change and growth. There will be a \$10 charge that will go to the church.

Young Adult Dinner & Game Night

Saturday, August 25th ~ 6:00 PM FOOD; 7:00 PM GAMES, Parish Hall

To join us for dinner, meet at 6 PM on the corner of Boylston and Arlington Streets outside the church, or come to the side door at 7 PM for games in the Parish Hall. Bring any board/card/social games you want, and join the Young Adult Group in an evening of fun and fellowship!

Save the Date

Buddha's Belly

Tuesday, August 28th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

For our last summer meeting, instead of starting a new book, we will listen to a 2-part dharma talk by Tara Brach on the web. Each part is approximately 1 hour.

Three Blessings on the Journey: Parts 1 & 2: Jan. 25th and Feb. 1st, 2012

Drawing on a wonderful teaching story from the Upanishads, these two talks explore the role of forgiveness, inner fire, and looking at our own minds, in finding freedom.

Audio Version (mp3 download or stream):

www.dharmaseed.org/teacher/175/talk/15391/

www.dharmaseed.org/teacher/175/talk/16391/

Video Version:

www.tarabrach.com/

Arlington Street Zen Center starts up again on September 11th!